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CHRISTMAS SNOW

For the first time in the history
of the Gila valley, snow fell on
Christmas day. Old mother earth
must be changing, indeed, when
she soars with Arizona into climatic
conditions only to be found at this
time of the year in the north.

It was a "white Christmas," such
as we remember in the old home,
only the sleigh bells were missing to
carry out the illusion that we had
journeyed Christmas Eve into the
northern land and were enjoying
the Christmas of the days of old,
with its jolly times of carnivals,
skating and other healthful winter
sports.

One old timer said that he re-
membered a heavy snow storm fif-
teen years ago, early in December,
when it fell to a depth of two
inches. Since that time the beau-
tiful snow has been a rare visitor in
this valley, tho it never forgets to
place a mantle of white on Mt. Gra-
ham.

Some people think that Arizona is
so proud of herself, now that she
has gained Statehood, that she is
getting cold and disdainful to those
who would have kept her out of the
Union, and her freezing contempt
has brought about the change in
climatic conditions. It may be that
she is playing a game of freeze-out
with the republicans since she de-
cided to go alone without their help,
and intends to show the cold shoulder
to the army of "carpet baggers,"
who have been feeding at the politi-
cal trough these many years.

But, whatever the reason, her
coldness will bring blessings to her
children, the farmer and the cattle-
man, and the benefits of a real win-
ter will be reaped the coming spring
and summer.

PUT BACK THE RECALL

It was within the power of the
president to compel Arizona to ex-
clude from its constitution the pro-
vision for the recall of judges and
Arizona has yielded to the coercion
he employed. It submitted to ex-
ecutive compulsion and subjected
itself to the enforced humiliation of
a temporary surrender of conviction.

Arizona has now complied with
the condition that was imposed. Its
constitution has been shorn of the
provision which roused White House
wrath to such a pitch of resentment
as would have killed Statehood itself
rather than go unsatisfied. The
Territory has become a State of the
Union. It is no longer a vassal to
a distant executive or subject to the
rule of a federal brigade. It is at
last sovereign and free.

Being sovereign and being free
and still loyal to the convictions it
was obliged by coercion to set aside,
let Arizona make haste to restore
the recall to the constitution. It
will not be justly chargeable with
bad faith, for the president himself
has clearly admitted his expectancy
that Arizona would take such action
and admitted his powerlessness to
prevent it. There is no legal bar
and assuredly there can be no moral
objection. He who under compul-
sion surrenders a valuable posses-
sion is justified in reasserting his
ownership as soon as coercion ceases.
The extension of the recall to the
judiciary should be one of the first
acts of sovereignty of the progres-
sive people of the new State.—Los
Angeles Tribune.

You often see a dog try to chase
a train off the right-of-way, but it
doesn't often succeed.

"After it is all said and done," is
an expression often used, although
it is never all said nor done.

SPEAKING OF JUDGES

United States Attorney, Henry A.
Wise, of New York, recently re-
marked in a public address: "But
it has been difficult to send the rich
to jail. The judges evidently think
they should have plenty of warning,
and in case after case of this kind I
have pleaded in vain for jail sen-
tences."

Last week Judge Kohlsaat re-
leased the heads of the Beef trust
upon writs of habeas corpus, and in
so doing gave these indicted million-
aires another long reprieve. It was
in May, 1902, that the government
commenced proceedings against the
packers. And not one of the men
has yet been tried.

The New York World is bitter in
its opposition to the recall, and yet,
in a recent editorial, it delivered
these scathing comments upon the
Chicago travesty on justice:

"Yet this most odious of trusts,
which draws its enormous profits
from the monopoly and engrossment
of one of the prime necessities of
life, which extorts its tribute from
rich and poor alike in every part of
the United States, has been able for
more than nine years to use the
law's delay to ward off prosecution,
and today not even the beginning
of the criminal trial of its chief
beneficiaries are in sight. What a
reproach to American government
and American jurisprudence! What
a blot upon the administration of
justice!"—Denver News.

GOOD FOR ARIZONA

The democrats won a sweeping
victory in Arizona at the first elec-
tion of that new State. George W.
P. Hunt, democrat, was elected gov-
ernor and the election to the senate
of Henry F. Ashurst and Mark A.
Smith is assured. Carl Hayden, of
Phoenix, was elected to congress.
The recall provision of the constitu-
tion was, of course, defeated or
eliminated in obedience to Mr. Taft's
orders. Mr. J. J. Birdno, chairman
of the Democratic State Committee,
has issued this statement:

"The people of Arizona simply
refused to indorse Taft's dictation
as to what kind of a constitution
Arizona should have, and while they
voted to eliminate the recall from
the constitution, as they were oblig-
ed to do in order to gain Statehood,
they showed at the same time that
the recall would be placed back in
the constitution as soon as it possibly
could be done."

George W. P. Hunt, the first gov-
ernor-elect of Arizona, issued a
statement in which he declared the
the victory of the democratic ticket
in the election was a triumph for
both progressive democrats and pro-
gressive republicans. To carry out
these progressive principles, says
the statement, "both in letter and
spirit, shall be the essential part of
my duty as chief executive and in
that duty I shall not be derelict."
The Commorer.

World's Longest Chimney

Wales has probably the longest
chimney in the world. It is two
miles high, and has a brook running
through it. The chimney is con-
nected with the copper works at
Cwmavon, near Aberavon. This is
how it came to be built. About
sixty years ago the copper smoke
from these works was the plague
for the neighboring countryside.
It settled upon and destroyed the
grass for twenty miles around,
while the sulphur and arsenic
affected the hocks of the cattle,
causing gangrene. The company
tried all sorts of devices to remedy
the trouble, but failed.

Finally, Mr. Robert Benton, who
was later engineer of the Sind
Railway in India, solved the problem.
The copper works are at the foot
of a high, steep mountain. Mr. Ben-
ton constructed a flue or chimney
running continuously from the base
to about 100 feet above the summit,
following the natural slope of the
ground. The brick which lined it,
and of which it is largely constructed
was burned close by. A small
spring, rushing out near the moun-
tain top, was turned into the
chimney, allowed to flow through
almost its entire length to condense
the smoke. Once a year it is swept
out, and about a ton of precipitated
copper obtained. Its top can be
seen for between forty and fifty
miles.—Tid Bits

"I have been troubled with con-
stipation for two years and tried all
the best physicians in Bristol, Tenn.,
and they could do nothing for me,"
writes Thomas E. Williams, Middle-
boro, Ky. "Two packages of Cham-
berlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets
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APACHE COUNTY DRY

After January 11, 1912, Apache
county will be dry. Apache county
held a local option election and pro-
hibition carried by a majority of
161 votes. There were 239 votes
for and 78 against.

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COMMUNICATION

EDITOR GUARDIAN:—I wish to
say a word in answer to some ob-
jections I have heard to two of the
laws that I mentioned. To my plan
of State registration and abolishing
the residence requirement in county
and precinct, it is objected that it
would result in hordes of voters
coming into certain counties the very
day of election, and thus carrying
such county against those who have
interests there and for fraudulent
purposes. But this opinion is based
on two assumptions that there are
mutually destructive. The first of
these assumptions is that there are
in Arizona such "hordes" of purchas-
able voters; the second is that these
would "stay bought" and that mon-
ied men are fools enough to make
such investment. I think both as-
sumptions are false. In further
answer it is to be remembered that
no local property "interest" is even
now required of voters in any excep-
tion elections. These critics wink
at the frauds I mentioned and wish
this law would stop.

In the next place I've been asked:
"How can you make a non-resident
mortgagee pay a tax on his mortgage
and prevent him from extorting it
from his mortgagor? I would pro-
vide that the mortgagee, as a con-
dition precedent to his right to re-
cord his mortgage, must pay the
tax equitably with the borrower, the
period of the loan, and at the ex-
piration of the time, full payment.
I would adjust the tax equitably
with the borrower, refunding it if
necessary, and I would make the ex-
tortion suggested above a felony. It
will scarcely be contended that the
State is helpless to apportion taxes
justly and to effectually protect such
borrowers from the rapacity and
lawlessness of tax dodgers. The first
canon of taxation is that every prop-
erty owner within the State ought
to pay taxes in proportion to his
means, because he receives protec-
tion in this proportion. Hence, if
there is a tax of \$100 due on prop-
erty really owned by A, and by some
hocuspocus he shifts this burden on
B, the effect is the same on B as
if A had embezzled, robbed or stolen
that sum from B. In the latter
case the penal code would be in-
voked against A, why not in the former?
JOHN MCGOWAN.

21,000 VOTES CAST

Phoenix, Dec. 19.—Twenty-one
thousand votes were cast in Ari-
zona Tuesday, December 12th, ac-
cording to unofficial figures. Mari-
copa appears to lead the other
counties with a total vote of 4,482;
Cochise is second, with 4,200; Ya-
vapai third, with 2,300. Then in
order are Pima, 1,800; Gila, 1,450;
Yuma, 1,150; Graham, 1,000; Co-
conino, 850; Navajo, 725; Pinal,
700; Greenlee, 600; Santa Cruz,
600; Mohave, 575; Apache, 400.

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SAFFORD SCHOOL NOTES

Seventy Pupils Neither Absent
nor Tardy

Seventy pupils have been neither
absent nor tardy since school started,
as follows:

Eighth Grade—C. W. B. Link,
Teacher—Clarence Spalding, Annie
Jacobson, Mary Walker, Florence
Brown, Albert Spalding, Myron
Crandall, Charlie Kirtland, Will
Beebe, Graham French, Mae Anglin,
Mildred Freeman, Alice Morris,
Ruby Barry and Rosa Thorstensen.

Seventh Grade—Lillian Faulkner,
Daisy Finch, Ethel Price, Ethel
Hooks, Martha Schroeder, Edna
Shroeder, Dora Parker, Vernon Pat-
terson, Clara Platt and Phyllis
French.

Fifth and Sixth Grades—Miss
Anna Riley, Teacher—Lillian Hilde-
brandt, Frank Kirtland, Edward
Thorstensen, Anna Thorstensen,
Ruth Prina, Teller Broshears, Lena
Dallas, Lola Platt, Lillian Wood,
Clive Beebe, Lucy Goodman, Ab.
Brown and Emily Brown.

Fourth Grade—Miss Maud Appel,
Teacher—Darwin Case, Ruby Gray,
Donald Reed, Alice Brown, Cato
Faulkner, Olga Young, Frank Ro-
bles, Hazel O'Brien, Ruby Martin
and Clarence Gilpin.

Third Grade—Miss Anna Akesson,
Teacher—Bee Merrill, Reed Merrill,
Arthur Jacobson, Merle Belt, Beau-
regard Owens, Lola Waddill and
Florence Angle.

Second Grade—Miss Ella Bassist,
Teacher—Beatrice Birdno, Helen

McGowan, Opal O'Bryan, Eva Thors-
tensen, Florence Thorstensen, Clar-
ence Goodman, Willie Paxton and
Willie Robertson.

First Grade—Mrs. R. S. Goldman,
Teacher—Zeff Prina, Edward Faulk-
ner, Edward Reynolds, Melba Clar-
idge and Florence Wanslee.

Myron Crandall and Tass Claridge,
of the eighth grade, and Frank
Stevens, of the third grade, have
not been absent or tardy since start-
ing to school.

What a Bug Did

A bedbug is the direct cause of a
divorce suit in Hutchinson. It got
in the bed used by the husband. He
moved the bed out into the other
room, hoping to get away from the
bug. His wife sued for divorce be-
cause the husband deserted her bed-
room.

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